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Production in the second quarter 1949 was as follows in comparison with that of the second quarter 1948:

	2d Quarter 49 in % of 2d Quarter 48
Timber hauling	186
"Glavdal'les"	300
Kray Fuel Administration	125
Lumber	116
"Dal'drov" Trust	144
"Lespramssoyuz"	117
Firebrick	118
Local industry	1,500
Kray Construction Materials Industry	111
Lime	129
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Fish catch	124
"Glavkhamchatrybprom"	106
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Footwear	79
Kray Local Industry	56
Industrial Cooperatives	81
Production of electric power by electric power plants of Ministry of Communal Economy	106
Khabarovsk Power Plant	84
Khabarovsk Power Train	200
Birobidzhan Power Plant	124

	2d Quarter 49 Plan in %	2d Quarter 48 in % of 2d Quarter 48
<u>Railroad Freight Transport</u>		
Average daily car loadings on Far Eastern Railroad System	118	110
Khabarovsk Section	107	122
Obluch'ye Section	127	84
Bikin Section	116	166

The second quarter trade turnover plan was fulfilled 97 percent by the retail trade network, 94 percent by public eating enterprises, and 96 percent for the entire plan. Individual trade organizations fulfilled the plan as follows:

	2d Quarter Plan in %		
	Retail Trade	Public Eating	Total
"Gastronom" (special foods stores)	106	--	106
"Univermag" (department stores)	88	--	88
"Yoyentrog" (military commissaries)	98	107	99.6
Local Trade Administration	91	74	88
OESs	94	98	95
"Tsentsosoyuz"	98	103	98

The second quarter plan for capital investment was fulfilled 104 percent and 129 percent for housing construction. During the first 6 months of 1949, 24,567 square meters of housing were completed. Construction and assembly contracting organizations fulfilled the plan 126 percent. Construction of rural

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schools did not progress satisfactorily. During the first 6 months, the plan was only 41 percent completed. The "Kamchatrybatroy" (Construction of Kamchatka Fish Enterprises) Trust was completely unsatisfactory in the second quarter and fulfilled only 35 percent of the plan.

**POOR FINANCES PLAGUE Khabarovsk Industry** -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 166, 16 Jul 49

The pledge of Khabarovsk Kray industry to release 88 million rubles of working capital in 1949 is not being met satisfactorily. The Plant named Kaganovich, which made considerable progress in accelerating the production cycle and released nearly 2½ million rubles of working capital, has not returned this sum to the state, but has frozen it in inventories above the quota and in debts. Inventories of auxiliary materials are almost double the quota, and the plant's total indebtedness constitutes 61 percent of its total planned working capital.

The "Khabarovskies" (Khabarovsk Timber) Trust has decreased its inventories, but the funds released thereby have been put into other stages of production and into further indebtedness, with the result that the total turnover of working capital has been delayed by 28.7 days above the plan.

In construction organizations, large sums of working capital have been tied up in poor-quality, unusable materials. The Kray construction materials industry is primarily at fault in this, permitting continual violation of correct technical procedure in making, drying, and firing brick. Of the 138,000 bricks recently delivered by the Sindinskiy Brick Plant, only 8,000 were suitable for use in construction. Half of the brick sent to three consumers by the Bikin Brick Plant disintegrated into rubble in transit, and the rest was considered substandard. Such widespread defective production has also been allowed in Khabarovsk brick plants No 1 and 2.

During the last 6 months, the Kray's trading organizations have slowed commodity turnover by 90, 100, and 150 days above plan. Their overdue balances on loans at the State Bank amount to more than 180 million rubles, with the result that they must pay daily fines of up to 100,000 rubles. The main shortcoming of trading organizations is their continual overstocking. By 1 April, the surplus of stocks above plan amounted to 200 million rubles' worth of goods throughout the Kray. Directors of trade organizations are obviously not complying with consumer demand, are not regulating quality, and do not recognize seasonal demand. Overstocking on goods is also common to the Kray light industry, Kray food industry, and industrial cooperatives, with the result that these organizations also fail to meet plans for accelerating working capital turnover.

Rapid shipment of goods to their destination is of prime importance in speeding the production cycle. It happens frequently, however, that freight takes 11 days by rail from Khabarovsk to Komsomol'sk. -- G. Shatain, secretary of the Khabarovsk Kray Committee VKP(b).

**Khabarovsk Timber Cooperative Shows Deficiency** -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 149, 26 Jun 49

In 1948, the timber industrial cooperative in Khabarovsk Kray operated unsatisfactorily completing only 85.6 percent of the gross-production plan and 74.4 percent of the consumers' goods plan, and failing to produce the planned 1½ million rubles' worth of goods. The Kray Timber Industrial Union and the artel administration had failed to restore facilities which had been inoperative since the war. Recently, the cooperative has made considerable strides toward

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eradicating these deficiencies. The artels have obtained financial aid and have sponsored drives to save materials. As a result, the cooperative has realized 1 1/2 million rubles in returns for the first time in 5 years, and also accumulated 50,000 rubles above plan. A large amount of capital construction has been carried out in the Birobidzhan Plywood Plant and in two furniture factories.

Output of much needed consumers' goods has had a substantial increase. Production of furniture increased 42 percent over 1947, including a 200 percent increase in output of light furniture. Since the beginning of the year, the cooperative's enterprises have been operating at a regular rate, and on 10 June completed the 6-month plan, having increased production 42.2 percent over the same period in 1948. Despite increases in raw-material prices and freight rates, the artels operated at a profit in the first quarter and realized more than 150,000 rubles in above-plan accumulations. At present, however, the artels are not meeting the plan for assortment and one third of the enterprises did not complete the 5-month plan.

The timber industrial artels have pledged to complete the year plan by 7 November, to release one million rubles of working capital, decrease costs 9 percent, and realize 700,000 rubles in accumulations above the plan. -- A. Pepina, deputy chief, light industry section, Khabarovsk Kray Committee VKP(b).

KHABAROVSK ENTERPRISES WIN MAY AWARDS -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 161, 10 Jul 49

The Khabarovsk Kray Executive Committee and the bureau of the Kray Committee VKP(b) has announced the following winners in the May competition among the Kray's industrial enterprises:

Plant imeni Kaganovich (director, Fetisov; secretary, Party organization, Layko; chairman, plant committee, Gomyakov) is allowed to retain the Transferable Red Banner of the executive committee and the Party committee.

"Zhinganolovo" Combine, (acting director, Chepelenko; secretary, Party organization, Zakharchenko; chairman, mine committee, Yeliseyev), of the Ministry of the Metallurgical Industry, is allowed to retain the Transferable Red Banner.

Dormidontovskiy Timber Management (director, Burkov; secretary, Party organization, Lysun; chairman, workers' committee, Lavrishchuk), of the "Khabarovskles" Trust, is awarded the Transferable Red Banner, which is transferred from the Kur-Urmiyskiy Timber Management.

The Bikin Division (chief, Smirnov; chief, political section, Bardadyanov; chairman, Rayon Trade Union of Railroad Workers, Demchenko) of the Far Eastern Railroad System is awarded the Transferable Red Banner, which is transferred from the Far East Administration of the Civil Air Fleet.

KHABAROVSK'S LEADING ENTERPRISES LISTED -- Tikhookeanskaya Zvezda, No 144, 21 Jun 49

The Bureau of the Khabarovsk City Committee VKP(b) and the city executive committee have awarded the Transferable Red Banner and first place in the May competition among the city's enterprises to the following: Plant imeni Kaganovich; machinery and repair plant (director, Babichev; secretary, Party organization, Tiginov; chairman, plant committee, Tkach); railroad car passenger depot (chief, Pishchulin, secretary, Party organization, Zaytsev; chairman, local committee, Zolotarev); TSES-on-Amur (Central Power Plant) (chief,

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Krushelnitskiy; secretary, Party organization, Berezin; chairman, local committee, Salakhutdinov); alcohol plant (director, Vas'kin; secretary, Party organization, Vakalov; chairman, plant committee, Zaplava); Grain Mill No 10 (director, Chernatov; secretary, Party organization, Sholunitekiy; chairman, plant committee, Bondarenko); Central Telegraph (chief, Korzh; chairman, workers' committee, Chudin; secretary, Party organization, Pozdnyakov); and Communications Division No 8 (chief, Doronina).

The Plant imeni Ordzhonikidze, the "Avtorenles" Plant, Bakery No 6, and the "Ekspansit" Plant, were cited for good work during the month.

Among the enterprises listed as doing poor work in May were the brewery, dairy, production combine of "Voyentorg" (Military Commissary) and Brick Plant No 2.

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